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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(3) Michael Reed.

(2) Judson Champlin.

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Date of Interview: 03 February 2005.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,123 and 141.

Identification of prior art discussed: Diamant et al. U.S. Patent Number 6,268,789.

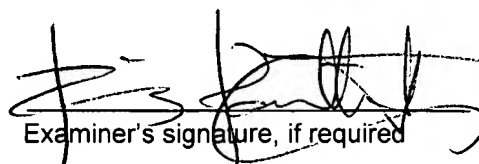
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: ____.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Attorney argued that Diamant does not teach, suggest or disclose "security partition having at least one authority record and at least one data set associated". Examiner pointed out Diamant Column 8 lines 18 - 20 for the security partition having at least one authority record (confidential information file) and to Column 18 lines 5 -12 for one data set associated (password, #1133). Attorney argued further that Diamant does not teach, suggest or disclose "permitting only the firmware within the storage device to access the secure data and the one or more authority records". Examiner pointed out Diamant Column 7 lines 49-55 and Column 10 lines 47-53 for permitting only a firmware (controller #98 #304) within the storage device to access the secure data and the one or more authority record.